Chad: Name of the police chief for the city of N’Djamena (October 2008)

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Information on the name of the police chief for the city of N’Djamena was not found among the sources consulted by the Research Directorate within the time constraints for this Response. However, the following information may be of use.

According to the *World Encyclopedia of Police Forces and Correctional Systems*, the National Police was established in 2005 as a national police force serving all major cities in Chad, while the National Gendarmerie, which was created in 1960, is responsible for maintaining order in smaller cities and in rural areas (2006, 280). *Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 2007* states that the national police in Chad reports to the Ministry of Public Security and Immigration and that the Gendarmerie reports to the Ministry of Defence (US 11 Mar. 2008, Sec. 1).

A bulletin on the official website of the Presidency of the Republic of Chad, dated 30 August 2008, reports that Achakir Mahamat Youssouf became the new General Director of the Police Force on 29 August 2008 (Chad 30 Aug. 2008). Furthermore, the website for the Centre for Studies and Training for Development (Centre d’études et de formation pour le développement, CEFOD), an organization that was founded in 1966 and whose mandate is [translation] “to meet the training needs of Chadian managers in the financial and social sectors” (CEFOD 13 Sept. 2007), refers to a 9 October 2008 article in the daily newspaper *Le Progrès*, in which General Mahamat Achakir is introduced as the General Director of the National Police (ibid. 15 Oct. 2008).

This Response was prepared after researching publicly accessible information currently available to the Research Directorate within time constraints. This Response is not, and does not purport to be, conclusive as to the merit of any particular claim for refugee protection. Please find below the list of sources consulted in researching this Information Request.

**References**


Additional Sources Consulted

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